

PROCLAMATION AND EXECUTIVE ORDER OF SEPTEMBER 7, 1979

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WHEREAS, I, Harry Hughes, Governor of Maryland, have been advised and informed by the Director of the Maryland Civil Defense and Disaster Preparedness Agency that high winds, heavy rainfalls and tornadoes occurring on September 5 and 6, 1979, have resulted in severe damage over extensive areas of the State; and

WHEREAS, Such damage was widespread in the State of Maryland, and, according to the latest available reports, was most severe in the City of Baltimore and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Frederick, Prince George's and St. Mary's Counties; and

WHEREAS, Such damage has resulted in the destruction of or damage to highways and bridges, farmlands and crops, public buildings and facilities, private residences, and other public and private property, both real and personal; has caused the suspension of certain dredging rights or privileges of commercial watermen; and has required the evacuation of hundreds of Maryland residents of those subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, Such destruction, damage, and forced evacuations significantly affect the safety and welfare of the citizens of Maryland, particularly in the aforementioned subdivisions;

NOW, THEREFORE, Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland, including, but not limited to Article 16A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and the Maryland Disaster Assistance Plan adopted by Executive Order of September 26, 1975 pursuant thereto, I, HARRY HUGHES, GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, HEREBY:

1. PROCLAIM THAT A MAJOR DISASTER, AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 16A, SECTION 3(e) OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, HAS OCCURRED IN THE CITY OF BALTIMORE AND IN AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES: ANNE ARUNDEL, BALTIMORE, FREDERICK, PRINCE GEORGE'S AND ST. MARY'S; AND

2. ORDER THE EXECUTION OF THE STATE'S EMERGENCY PLAN.

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